

SPEAKER WITHEM: You've heard the closing. The question is the adoption of the committee amendments. Proceed to vote. All in favor signify by aye, those opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The committee amendments are adopted. The question now is the advancement of the bill. I do not believe, Senator Kristensen, we've had an opening on the bill itself if you have anything to add.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I believe that we have discussed that thoroughly. Senator Chambers, I assume, and others will...if you have some questions or policy choices that you would like to change, certainly we'll look at that at Select File. With that, that would constitute my opening. Thank you very much.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Any discussion on the...the question is the advancement of LB 254. Any discussion? Seeing none, Senator Kristensen, do you have a closing? There is no closing. We will proceed to vote. All in favor of advancing LB 254 signify by voting aye, those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 254.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 381 is a bill originally introduced by Senator Chambers. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 14 of last year. At that time, it was referred to the Education Committee. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no amendments pending at this time, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: There are no amendments. Senator Chambers, you are recognized to open on LB 381.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, and, Mr. Speaker, and members of the Legislature, this is the time of the afternoon when people are not paying much attention and I'm glad because this creates a fund by which insurance companies will provide the money to